

Public Health Alert

DATE: May 31, 2022

Person Bitten by Unknown Dog in the Apartments on Black Locust Drive in Frederick, Maryland, on Sunday, May 29, 2022. Seeking Owner of Dog.



A person was bitten by a dog on Sunday, May 29, 2022, around 9:20 AM in the Orchard Park at Ballenger Apartments on Black Locust Drive in Frederick, Maryland. The bite occurred when the victim held the door open for someone walking their dog. The dog is described as medium-to-large, tan-with-black-saddle, Shepherd-type dog. The woman walking the dog had her hair up in a bun or ponytail.

Contact is needed to confirm the dog's health and whereabouts. The dog will need to be quarantined, which can occur in the owner's home, for 10 days to monitor its health. If the animal is confirmed to be in good health 10 days after the bite, it will be allowed to resume normal activity, and the victim can avoid receiving unnecessary and expensive post-exposure rabies vaccinations. The Frederick County Health

Department is asking that the owner or anyone who has information about the animal contact Frederick County Animal Control at 301-600-1544.

If you or someone in your family is bitten or scratched by a dog or cat, obtain contact information from the animal's owner so that appropriate action can be taken. Report bites to Animal Control at 301-600-1544. Report possible human exposure to Community Health Services at 301-600-3342. For general rabies questions, call Environmental Health Services at 301-600-1717. Visit health.frederickcountymd.gov/RABIES for more information.



